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Effective: Fall 2017

1. **Course Number:** MUS 120
Course Title: Applied Music
2. **Description:** Students receive private instruction in vocal or instrumental music, appropriate to the level of the student. (15 one-half hour tutorial lessons) There will be an Applied Music charge.
3. **Student Learning Outcomes (instructional objectives: intellectual skills):**
Upon successful completion of this class, students are able to do the following:
 - Describe and execute the proper instrumental or vocal technique as presented by the instructor
 - Demonstrate improvement in the following areas, relative to a beginning of semester assessment:
 - execute a controlled musical tone over a substantial portion of the available range of instrument or voice
 - execute basic musical elements appropriate to the instrument or voice, such as scales, arpeggios, intervals, or rudiments as requested by music faculty at the end of semester "jury"
 - read from standard musical notation
 - improvise knowledgeably if appropriate to the instrument or voice
 - Show an increased repertoire of solo literature appropriate to the voice or instrument
 - Perform at least two pieces with a clear sense of musical interpretation.
4. **Credit:** 1 credit; may be repeated for credit; 6 credit maximum
5. **Satisfies General Education Requirement:** No.
6. **Prerequisite:** None
7. **Semester(s) Offered:** Fall, Spring, Summer
8. **Suggested General Guidelines for Evaluation:** Evaluation is based upon lesson attendance, poise, technical progress during the 15 week semester, and level of preparation of assigned repertoire, as evaluated by the teacher. During the first week of each semester, the teacher will create an intake evaluation of the student's musical aptitudes, and discuss with the student a reasonable set of goals to be accomplished during the semester. At the end of the semester, the student will demonstrate the accomplishment of these goals at a private "jury" for the teacher and one or two additional music faculty who will offer constructive criticisms of the student's performance. The teacher of record alone will determine the final grade but may take into account the suggestions of the other jury members.

A grade of A represents clear technical progress, poise, and solid preparation of assigned repertoire. A grade of B represents good work, but less technical progress and / or less solid preparation of assigned repertoire. A grade of C represents some technical progress and / or average preparation of repertoire. A grade of D represents minimal effort towards lesson objectives. A grade of F represents no effort towards lesson objectives.

Challenge exams can only award a grade of pass or no pass.
9. **General Topical Outline (Optional):** Since applied music is taught on an individual basis, the course of study is based on the student's background and ability.